

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 4, 2000

TO: All Indiana Public School Teachers and Other Licensed Teachers

FROM: Continuing Education Committee of the Indiana Professional Standards Board

SUBJECT: Call for Applications for Teacher License Renewal Backmapping Pilot Project

The Indiana Professional Standards Board (IPSB) is seeking Indiana public school teachers and others to participate in a one-year pilot project. This pilot project will help the IPSB Continuing Education Committee (CEC) make recommendations to the Board about future rules and procedures for renewing an Indiana teacher's license. These new teacher license renewal rules and procedures will be part of the IPSB's redesigned performance standards-based educator preparation and licensing system.

"Backmapping" Activity Summary:

- * Experienced teachers will use a draft handbook and forms to work through how they would have developed a "Professional Growth Plan" and "License Renewal Report."
- * This plan and report will be based on their experiences over the past three to five years.

Eligibility Requirements:

- * Licensed Indiana teacher under Rules 46-47.
- * At least three years teaching experience.
- * Currently working as a teacher in an Indiana public school; OR intend to renew a currently active Indiana teacher's license while not working in a public school teaching position.

Participation Requirements:

- * Attend one regionally based evening orientation session in mid-late November 2000.
- * Submit all required pilot forms and reports by July 1, 2001.

Selection Process:

- * Up to two participants per school corporation. If more than two applications are received from teachers who work at the same corporation, participants will be randomly selected.
- * Random selection based on statewide representation of elementary, junior high/middle, and high school teachers.
- * More participants may be added based on pro-rated enrollments, subject to available funding.
- * Eligible applicants who are not public school teachers may be randomly selected.

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Calendar of Activities:

Date (2000-2001)	Activity
* early/mid October	All-Call Announcement
* early November	Participant Selection & Notification
* mid/late November	Required Participant Orientation Sessions
* late April/early May	Optional Participant Feedback/Support Seminars
* July 1, 2001	Required Participant Submissions Due
* early August	CEC Review of Submissions
* September	Preliminary Report to IPSB
* October	Optional Participant Focus Groups

Calendar of Regional Events:

City	Required Evening Orientation 2000	Optional Evening Support Seminar 2001
* Gary	11/15	4/25
* South Bend	11/29	4/30
* Fort Wayne	11/30	4/24
* Lafayette	11/16	4/24
* Muncie	11/14	4/26
* Terre Haute	11/28	4/26
* Indianapolis	11/20	5/2
* Richmond	11/30	4/26
* Columbus	11/15	4/25
* Evansville	11/27	4/25
* Jasper	11/28	4/23
* New Albany	11/29	4/24

Incentives for Completing ALL Requirements:

- * \$50 honorarium.
- * One license renewal waiver.

Application Due Date, Time & Location:

- * Must be received by 4:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, October 31, 2000.
- * Must be submitted in person, by mail, or by FAX.
- * Send to:
Backmapping Pilot
Indiana Professional Standards Board
251 East Ohio Street, Suite 201
Indianapolis, IN 46214
FAX: (317) 232-9023

Questions/Application Form:

- * www.state.in.us/psb: click on topic, "Teacher License Renewal Pilot", (317) 232-9029, bgreen@psb.state.in.us

Indiana Professional Standards Board Teacher License Renewal Backmapping Pilot Project Application

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Contact Information:

Address:

Name: _____
Phone: _____
E-mail: _____

Yes! I meet all of the eligibility requirements!

____ I am a licensed Indiana teacher under Rules 46-47.

____ I have at least three years teaching experience.

____ I meet one of the following criteria:

____ I am currently working as a teacher in an Indiana public school;

Corporation #: _____ Corporation name: _____

I teach at the following school levels (check all that apply):

____ Elementary

____ Junior High / Middle School

____ High School

OR

____ I intend to renew a currently active Indiana teacher's license while not working in a public school teaching position.

Current work setting: _____

Yes! I agree to meet all the participation requirements!

____ I will attend one regionally based evening orientation session in mid-late November 2000.

____ I will submit all required pilot forms and reports by July 1, 2001.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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